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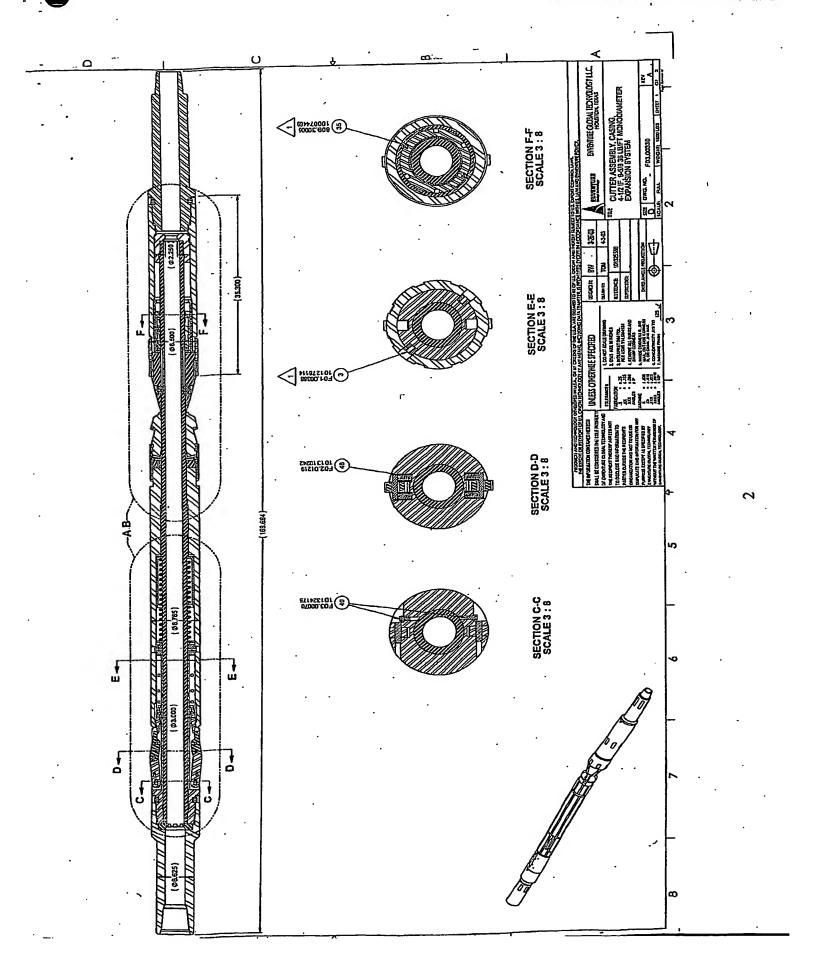
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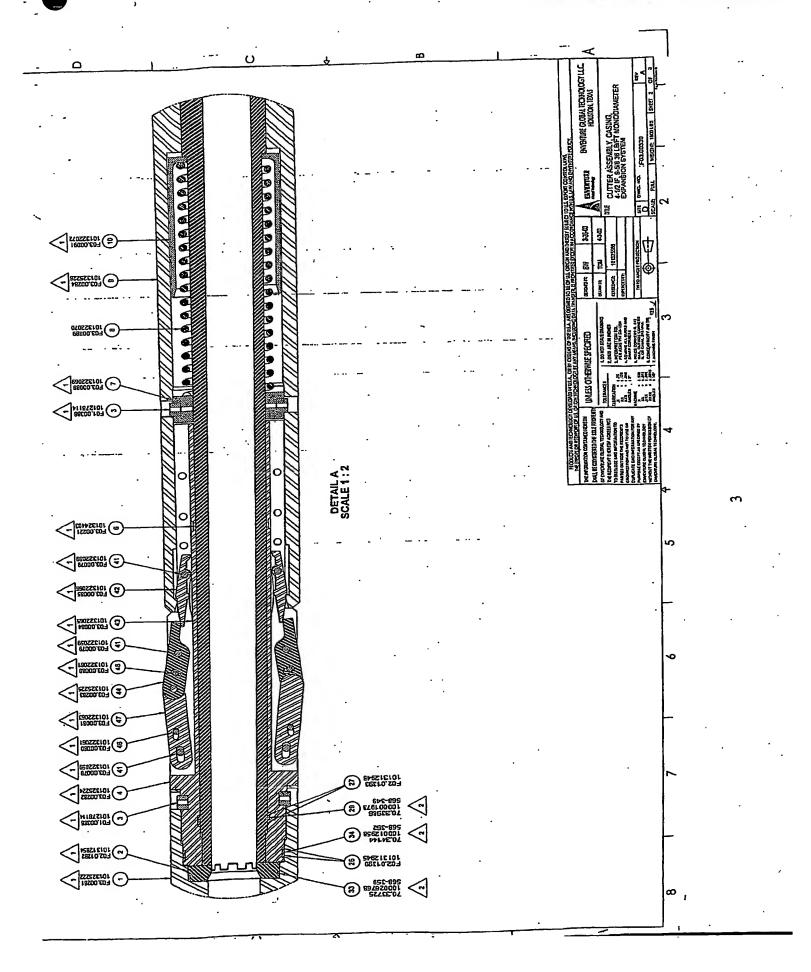
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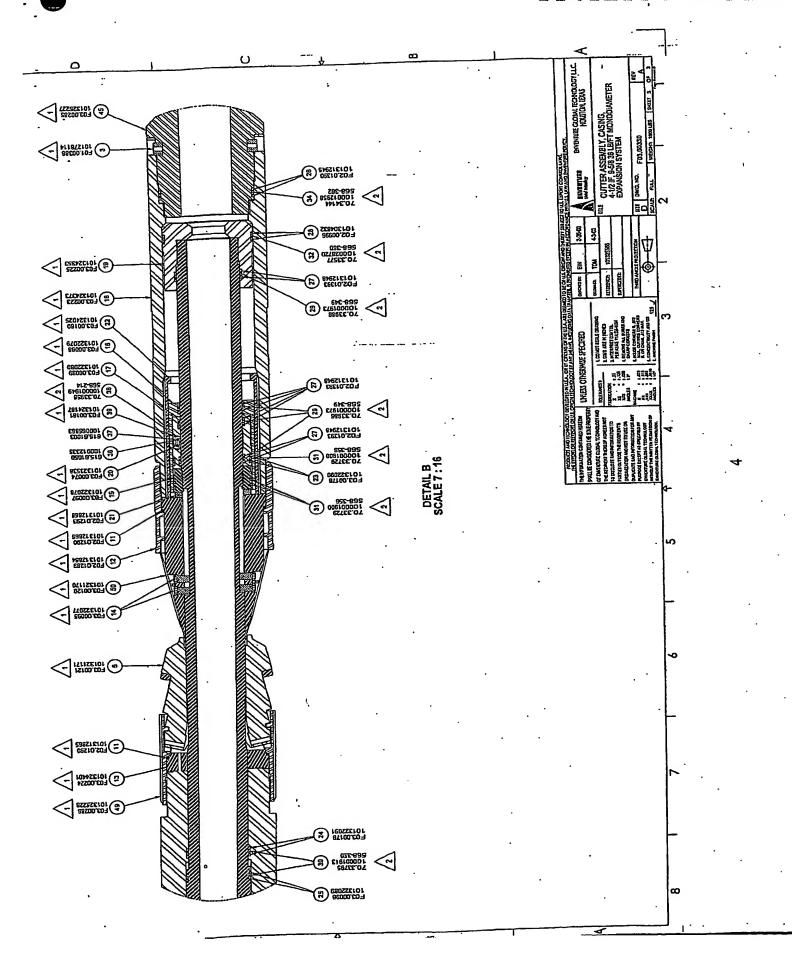
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The casing cutter is a tool used to cut casing at the end of a monodiameter expansion job. Extra casing is always run to insure that the overlap section of the previous casing string is completely covered. The extra casing must be removed so it is cut off. After the cut is complete, the casing will rest on the cutter blades and is carried out of the hole by the cutter.

The difference between this tool and the expandable cone is that the cone segments have been replaced with cutter blades. Flow paths were also milled above the cutters to allow debris to be pumped upwards.





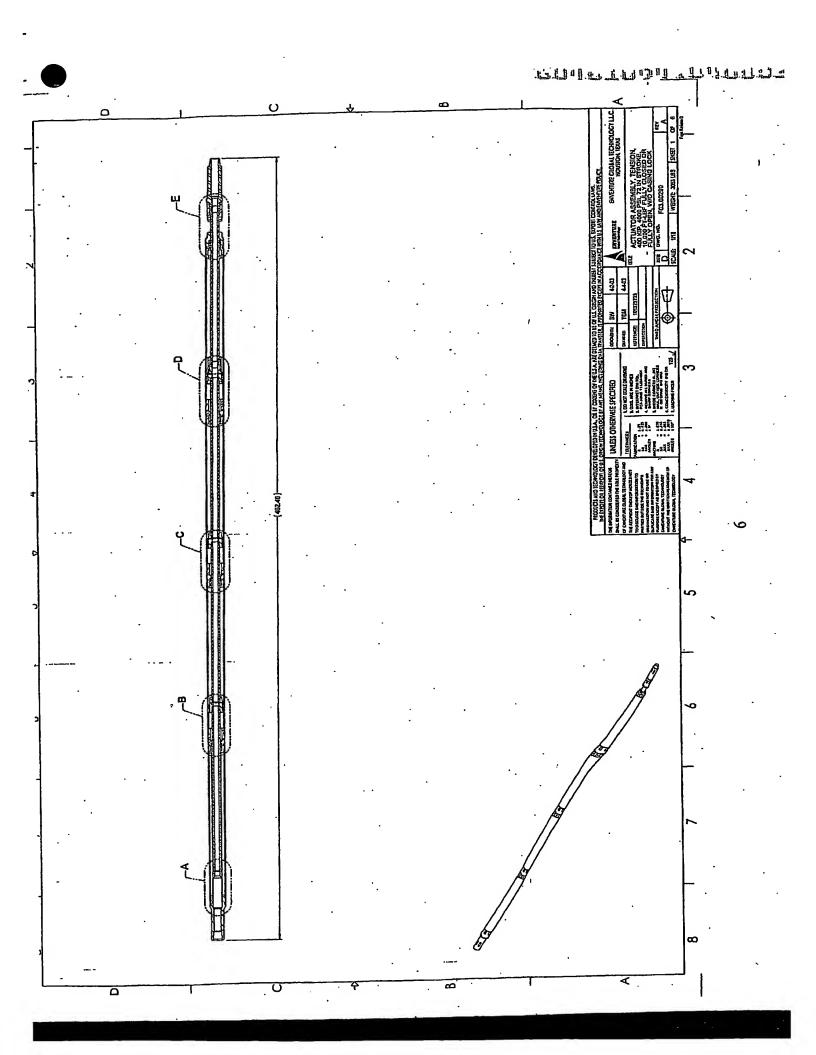


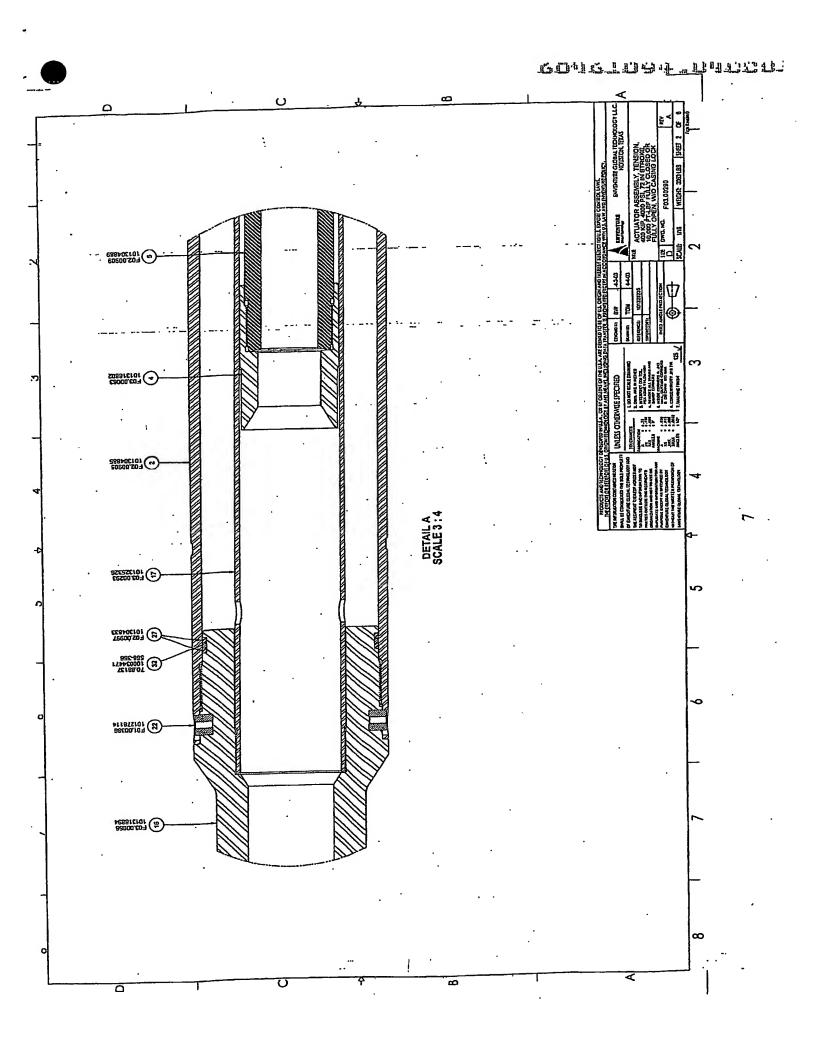
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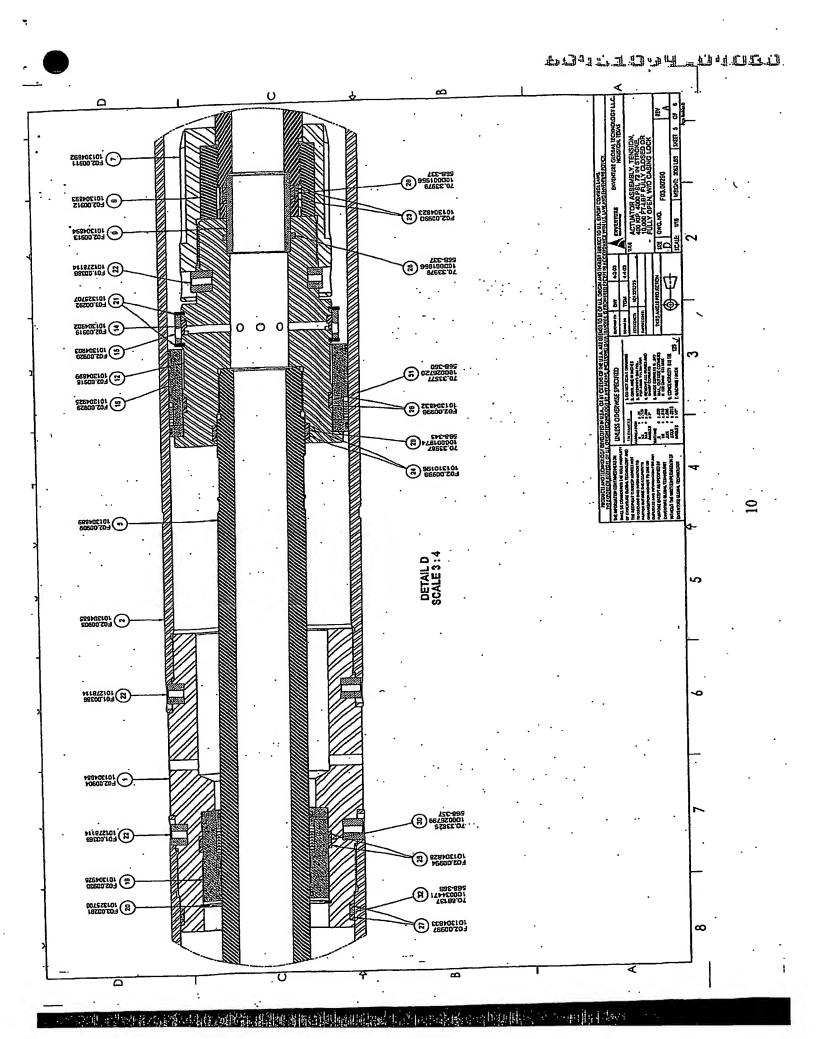
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The tension actuator will be used in the monodiameter tool string to pull the cone upwards. The actuator will be used to form the bell section and the first part of the expanded casing because we cannot do the normal hydraulic expansion until the packer is set. The actuator will also be used if pressure integrity is lost in the casing below the cone. The actuator may also be used to expand the overlap section to reduce the expansion pressure in this high expansion force region.

This tool will retract when pressure is applied and is extended by pulling on it.







BALL GRIPPER

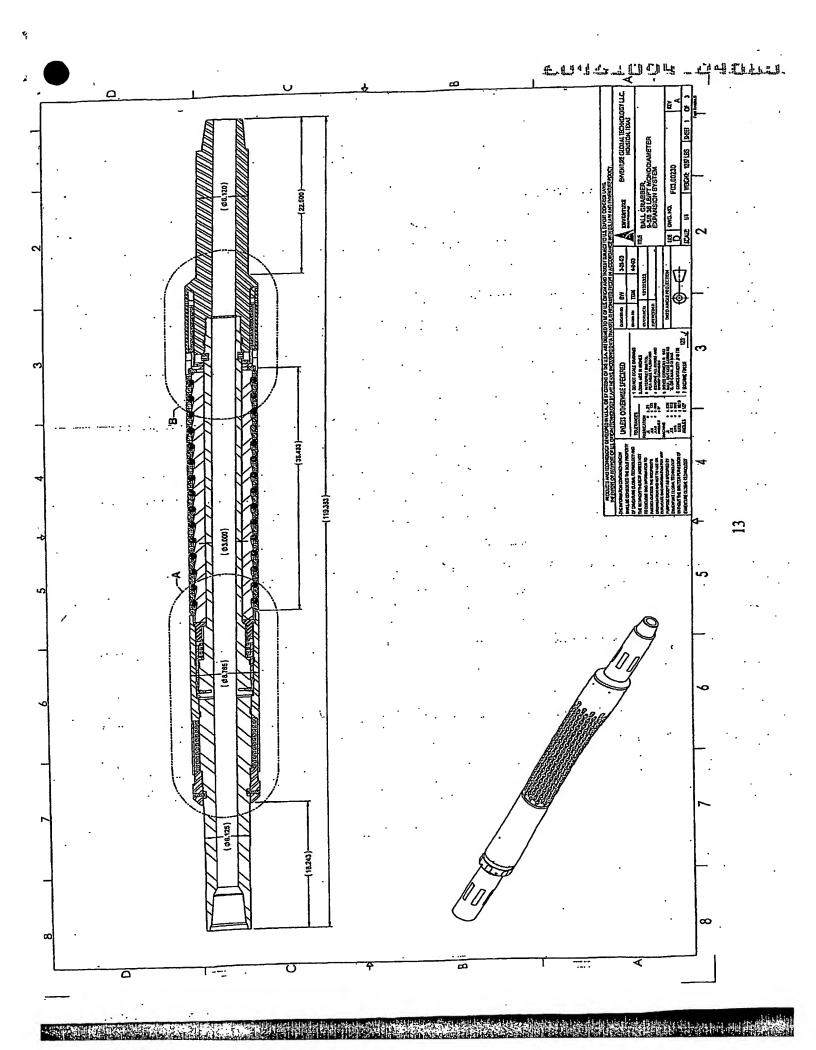
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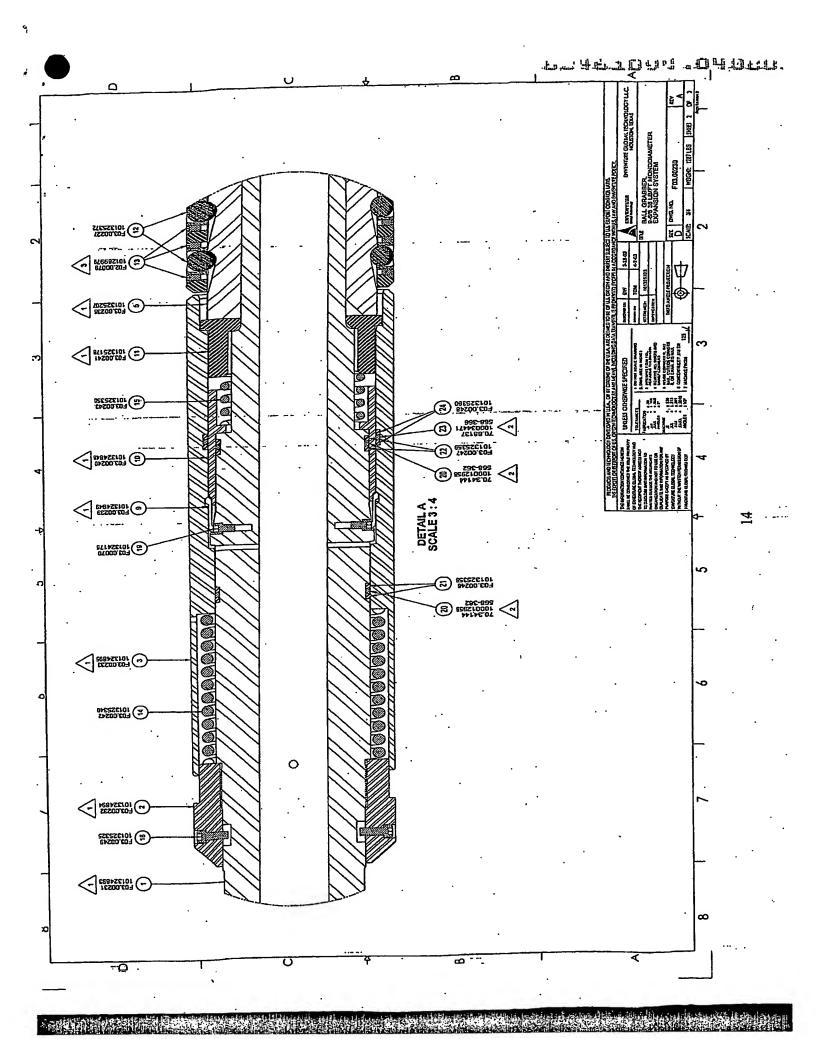
This tool is used to grip the inside of casing. The gripping method uses balls or rollers that roll between the casing and a ramp until the force acting on the ball is enough to support the axial load applied by the tool string. For small forces the ball grips the casing by friction but at higher loading the ball will form small impressions in the casing that will provide a more positive support.

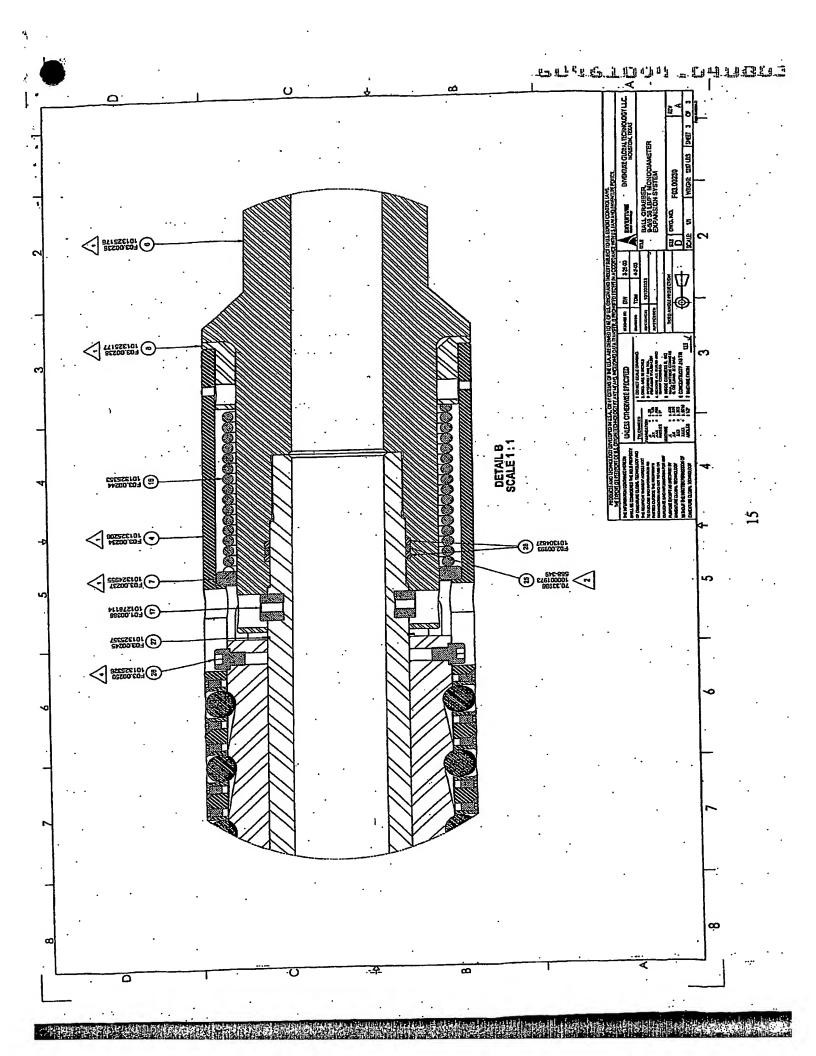
The tool contains two major springs. One spring tries to activate the tool while the other more powerful spring will try to deactivate a tool. Under normal conditions the balls are held inward by the larger spring and are inactive. When pressure is applied, a piston will move downward to release dogs, pressure will move another piston that will compress the larger spring so that the smaller spring can activate the tool by pushing the outer sleeve upwards. If pressure is released and the force acting on the tool is released, the balls will relax and the piston will move back in their original positions. The springs push the balls against the casing but they apply only a small force. Friction and the ramp cause the balls to be pressed hard against the casing. The tool can only grip in one direction because the ramp is only in one direction.

We chose a ball/roller gripping device because it does a minimum of damage to the casing when it is active and it can be dragged upwards under full pressure without gripping the casing.

The tool will normally be placed above the tension actuator in the mono-diameter tool string and is used to anchor the tension actuator during initial expansion, the overlap expansion, and anytime where pressure integrity of the casing is lost.







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